Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The matter will receive due consideration.

273. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state, if it is not a fact that the accretion paddy fields are assessed on a higher scale than the good paddy fields near the backwater?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—No.

274. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—In view of the condition of the accretion paddy fields, will the Government kindly consider the reduction of the assessment on those lands, if it has not passed any order on the matter?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The Government see no justification to reduce the assessment fixed after due classification of the soil.

Delay in the publication of Departmental Administration Reports.

275. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state if it does not consider 8 months too much for the publication of a *Departmental Administration Report*?

(b) Will the Government be pleased to take steps to have such inordinate delays in publication stopped?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—(a) and (b). The Government cannot say one way or the other without examining the particular circumstances of the case, if there has been one.

Minor Municipalities in Kunnamkulam and Irinjalakkuda..

276. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state what were the recommendations of the Diwan Peishkar, the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer and the Superintendent of Agriculture and Panchayats with regard to the establishment of minor Municipalities at Kunnamkulam and Irinjalakkuda?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Copy of the joint report of the officers containing the information is appended. (*Vide Appendix VI.*)

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Have the Government passed final orders on the final report?

President.—No.

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